

Rockingham County

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Stephen Church Superintendent

MAJOR DAVID CONSENTINO Assistant Superintendent

April 24, 2018

To:

Attorney General Gordon J. MacDonald

Subject: County Department of Corrections

From:

Commissioner Kevin Coyle

Rockingham County New Hampshire

Dear Attorney General MacDonald.

On Tuesday, April 24, 2018, I conducted my semi-annual visit and inspection of the Rockingham County Correctional Facility and met with Superintendent Stephen Church.

We toured the building and I reviewed the management, conditions and security of the facility and condition of the inmates housed in the Rockingham County Correctional Facility. I found the building to be clean, and well maintained. The inmates were courteous and appeared to be well cared for and well fed.

At the time of this inspection; I visited C-Block which just completed a major renovation which included updated wiring and plumbing in addition to cosmetics and fresh paint. With the continued success of the Diversion Programs put into place by Superintendent Church, the lower inmate population has continued to allow the current inmates to be re-housed on other blocks while work is planned to get underway on D-Block. Renovation planning will continue for other housing blocks however will be determined by population levels when the current project has been completed.

The addition last year of a state of the art Body Scanner continues to proves to be an asset to the facility by allowing staff to scan offenders for concealed weapons and contraband when they are brought into the building and before being sent up to the block population.

Superintendent Church continually plans and budgets for the up keep and preventative maintenance of the facility and grounds.

Mrs. Gates and her staff make sure our facilities are up to code and safe for the inmates, clients, visitors and employees who work for the County.

Major maintenance updates and repairs are reported and discussed at bi-weekly Commissioners meetings on a regular basis.

Sincerely,

Kevin Coyle, Chairman

Rockingham County Board of Commissioners